

FEAFFA Grant activities May 14th – 18th 2012

Activities this week

Developed and submitted to USAID COMPETE a Concept paper and draft scope of work for a mini study on self regulation of the clearing and forwarding industry in East Africa. This is one of the three advocacy issues that FEAFFA has been supported to pursue under the current grant. The study seeks to analyze the regulatory practices within the region in close comparison with the developments in the region's clearing and forwarding industry. The consultant will gather data to justify the need for self regulation that will inform FEAFFA's advocacy.

Hold a meeting of the FEAFFA Executive Board

FEAFFA held the first meeting of the Board for the year 2012 at Hotel Club Du Lac Tanganyika in Bujumbura on 17th May 2012. The meeting reviewed the audited books of accounts, reviewed the annual report, and recommended strategies for addressing internal wrangling in some of the national associations in preparation for the general assembly.

Organize the FEAFFA General meeting for 2012

FEAFFA held its general assembly for the year 2012 at Hotel Club Du Lac Tanganyika in Bujumbura on 18th May 2012. The meeting was attended by representatives of all the national associations affiliated to FEAFFA. The general meeting elected a new Executive Board and addressed governance issues within some of the national associations. The new Board was also inaugurated in a colorful handover ceremony witnessed by the commissioner general of Burundi Revenue Authority. The new executive board includes;

Name	Title	Country
Mathew Bizimana	President	Burundi
Merian Sebunya	1st Vice President	Uganda
Hezron Awiti	2 nd Vice President	Kenya
Stephen Ngatunga	Sec General	Tanzania
Sseka Fred	Treasurer	Rwanda
Deo Ntibibuka	Member	Burundi
Josephine Nyebaza	Member	Rwanda
Hussein Kidede	Member	Uganda
Boaz Makomere	Member	Kenya

Edwin Mlay	Member	Tanzania
John Bosco Rusagara	Immediate Past President	Rwanda

Hold the first EACFFPC graduation in Burundi

21 students that had successfully completed the East Africa Customs and Freight Forwarding Practicing Certificate graduated on the 18th May 2012 in a colorful ceremony at Hotel Club du Lac Tanganyika in Bujumbura. The function was presided over by the Minister for EAC of Burundi and the Commissioner General of Burundi Revenue Authority who all pledged their support to the training program. The function was also attended by representatives of all the other FEAFFA affiliate national associations. This was the first group of students in Burundi. The graduation marked the rollout of the training program in the entire region.